

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5 with the following paragraph:

Related Applications

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/133,056 filed on August 8, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/604,009, filed on February 20, 1996 and now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,792,531.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 1 as follows:

The surfactant layer 32 overlies the donning layer 30 in the embodiment of FIG. 2B. The surfactant layer 32 aids in donning the article when the user's body is either wet or dry and also reduces the tendency to blocking. The surfactant layer preferably comprises a cationic, an anionic, or a nonionic surfactant, and/or a silicone antifoam. Most preferably, the surfactant layer 32 is an alkyl dimethylbenzyl quaternary, an alkyl trimethyl quaternary, a dialkyl dimethyl quaternary, a pyridinium chloride such as cetyl pyridinium chloride, sodium lauryl sulfate, and/or polydimethyl siloxane emulsion, optionally mixed with silicone such as Dow Corning 365 emulsion or General Electric AF60. Examples of alkyl dimethylbenzyl quaternaries are stearalkonium chloride and stearyl dimethylbenzyl ammonium chloride, such as the commercially available Varisoft SDC-85, Ammonyx 4002, Standamul 1002, and Mackernium SDC-85. An example of alkyl trimethyl quaternary is behentrimonium chloride, such as the commercially available Varisoft BT85. Examples of dialkyl dimethyl quaternaries are C18-C22 C₁₆-C₂₂ trimethyl ammonium methosulfate, such as the commercially available Varisoft BTMS, and disteryldimonium chloride, such as the commercially available Varisoft TA100.